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American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) Web Page

Audience: All

The Vermont Department of Education has created a Web page specifically designed to keep Vermont schools informed about the education portion of the ARRA (or "Stimulus"). This Web page will be continually updated as information comes in. Visit:

http://education.vermont.gov/new/html/dept/recovery_act.html or the State of Vermont Recovery page at http://recovery.vermont.gov/.

Advanced Placement (AP) Fee Reduction Grant for 2009

Audience: Principals, Superintendents, Curriculum Coordinators

Vermont has once again been awarded an AP Fee Reduction Grant. The purpose of this grant is to pay all Advanced Placement fees on behalf of eligible low-income students who are enrolled in an Advanced Placement course, and plan to take an Advanced Placement exam. For information on qualifications for eligibility, fees covered, and changes for the 2009 year, visit:

http://education.vermont.gov/new/html/pgm_curriculum/enrichment.html#AP_grant.

Contact: Noel Bryant at at (802) 828-0215 or noel.bryant@state.vt.us.

State Board of Education Monthly Summary – March

Audience: All

The State Board of Education produces a monthly report that is intended to update the public on Board activities and priorities. The reports are posted two weeks after a Board meeting and are made available for a six-month period of time. View the most recent report at

http://education.vermont.gov/new/html/board/schedule.html#monthly reports.

Contact: Carol King at (802) 828-5101 or carol.c.king@state.vt.us.

From the Department of Labor:

Summer Youth Employment Program

Audience: School District Administrators, Guidance Counselors, Technical Center Directors

The Vermont Department of Labor (VDOL) announces a request for proposals (RFP) under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Summer Youth Employment Program to interested applicants, including school districts. Students age 14 to 24 are eligible to participate in a program funded through SYEP. For more information, visit:

http://www.labor.vermont.gov/Portals/0/WF%20Development/arra%20syep%202009.doc.

Completed applications may be submitted electronically in a word document to both Rose Lucenti (rose.lucenti@state.vt.us) and Greg Voorheis (greg.voorheis@state.vt.us) by 4:00 pm on Friday, April 17th, 2009. (If electronic submission is not possible please contact Rose Lucenti at (802)828-4271).

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FOR MORE INFORMATION:

For the Department of Education Web site see: http://education.vermont.gov/. For upcoming events or professional development opportunities, see the DOE Calendar of Events located at: http://education.vermont.gov/new/html/dept/calendar.html.

Main Department Line: (802) 828-3135

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